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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT  
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In response to the Office Action dated September 21, 2004, which imposed a restriction requirement in the above-captioned patent application, the Applicants elect without traverse the invention of Group I, claims 1-17, for further prosecution. Claims 18-39 of Groups II and III have been withdrawn without prejudice. The Applicants reserve the right to file divisional applications in order to prosecute the non-elected subject matter.

Accordingly, both further consideration of this application and its swift passage to issue are earnestly solicited. If, however, the Examiner believes that there are any unresolved issues in the application, it is requested that the Examiner telephone Mr. Keith Taboada at (732) 530-9404 so that appropriate arrangements can be made for resolving such issues as expeditiously as possible.

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Although Applicants believe that no fee is due in connection with this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782 for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Respectfully submitted,

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